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Senate Resolution 407

By: Senator Pearson of the 51st

## **A RESOLUTION**

- 1 Commending Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David, Jr., is a decorated veteran, a talented
- 3 community leader, and a devoted family man of Dawson County, Georgia; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Edgar George David, Jr., was born on January 13, 1929, in Tampa, Florida, to
- 5 Edna Mona Anderson and Edgar George David, Sr.; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he is a celebrated graduate of Castle Heights Military Academy, North Georgia
- 7 College, and the University of Georgia, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science
- 8 degree in Psychology; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he served nobly in multiple conflicts abroad with the United States Infantry,
- 10 earning a number of military honors, including The Master Parachutist Badge, The Combat
- 11 Infantryman Badge with Star, The Ranger Tab, The Air Medal, The Korean Service Medal,
- and The Vietnam Service Medal, The Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, and the Vietnamese
- 13 Parachutist Badge; and
- 14 WHEREAS, he served as a platoon leader in the Korean War and as a special advisor in the
- 15 Vietnam War, retiring in 1971 as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Special Forces; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he received a Master of Education degree in Recreation and Park
- 17 Administration and a Master's degree in Curriculum and Supervision from the University of
- 18 Georgia, and returned to Dawson County in 1974; and
- 19 WHEREAS, he returned from his military career ready to serve his country at home with the
- same diligence and passion that he had exhibited abroad, serving as a member of the Board
- of Education for eight years, a member of the Board of Elections, a member of the Board of
- 22 Equalization, a president of the Booster Club, a president and secretary of the Dawsonville

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1 Lions Club, a charter member of the Dawson County Chamber of Commerce, an advisor to

- 2 the Dawson County Homeowners Association, and a secretary-treasurer of the Dawson
- 3 County Development Authority and Industrial Building Authority; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. David was a founder and a charter member of the Board of Directors of the
- 5 Etowah Water and Sewer Authority, a cofounder of the Dawson County Humane Society,
- 6 and was instrumental in founding the Dawson County Republican Party, and as chairman of
- 7 the Dawson Company Municipal Planning Commission, he cowrote the Dawson County
- 8 zoning rules and regulations; and
- 9 WHEREAS, for his many outstanding contributions to the Dawson County community, he
- was honored with the Dawson County Stewardship Award; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mr. David's dedication to serving his country is surpassed only by his intense
- devotion to his family; and
- WHEREAS, he shared 49 years of wonderful marriage with the late Marie Elinor Alston, and
- 14 he has provided a wealth of loving guidance to his five daughters, Jennifer, Dana, Claire,
- 15 Melanie, and Dorian, eight grandchildren, and one great-grandson; and
- WHEREAS, he remains a strong presence in the public life of Dawson County, maintaining
- 17 his longtime support as a pillar of the community despite having celebrated his 78th birthday
- 18 on January 13, 2007; and
- 19 WHEREAS, as he has commanded the esteem of several generations of Georgians, he has
- 20 brought honor to his family, community, and the State of Georgia.
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 22 join in recognizing the amazing life of Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David, Jr.,
- 23 commending his countless valuable contributions to the State of Georgia and the United
- 24 States, and extending to him the best of wishes for his future health and fulfillment.
- 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Lieutenant Colonel Edgar George David,
- 27 Jr.